Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—That is the answer given to a previous question. The appointment was made and extension granted in the interests of the State.

Mr. U. Kandar Menon.—There is no mistake in the answer. The question was "the names of gazetted officers in the service of the State who have been given extension or have been appointed after their 55th year". So his name was included. The question covers both the points, those who were given extension and those who were appointed after their 55th year. Extension is only by renewal of contract.

President.—The verbal accuracy has not been maintained.

596. Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—Will the Government be pleased to place on the Table copies of Government Proceedings issued in 1102 and 1103 showing the names of the officers who are to retire in the next year and why was extension given, if any, subsequently to any of the officers in the retiring list?

Mr. U. Kandar Menon.—Vide answer to question No. 408 (2). In regard to the latter part, extensions were given in the interests of the service.

597. Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—Will the Government be pleased to state the names of officers who were refused extension of service beyond the age-limit in 1102, 1103 and 1104 on application and the reasons for the refusal in each case?

Mr. U. Kandar Menon.—Vide list appended. (*Appendix VII.*) The applications were refused as, in the opinion of the Government, there were not sufficient reasons to grant their requests.

Medical Supply.

598. Mr. A. B. Salem.—Will the Government be pleased to inform:—

(a) the last year on which the Medical Department took supplies from Messrs. Ferris & Co., Ltd.;

(b) will the Government be pleased to place on the Table the complete list of the last year's supply of medicines and instruments, etc., ordered from Messrs. Ferris & Co., Ltd., together with their invoices and a statement of the costs incurred therefor in the shape of payment to any one towards landing charges, etc., with reference to that supply;

(c) will the Government be pleased to place on the Table a complete list of the medicines and instruments supplied to the Medical Department by Messrs. Dada & Co., since the contract for the supply of medicines and instruments has been given to them together with the list of prices, charges and freight and

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